

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
NOVEMBER 22, 2005**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, November 22, 2005 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor William J. Schmitt who presided called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor William J. Schmitt	present
Board member Victor J. Knies	present
Board member Thomas R. Schmidt	present

Also present were Police Chief Richard Gunselman, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, Building Commissioner David Seger, Personnel/Safety Director Charles Schneider, Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang, City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm.

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm announced that a majority of the board members must be present for a quorum. All three of the board members were present; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schmitt invited all present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 8, 2005. Victor Knies stated that a clarification of the location was needed for the encroachment on city right-of-way in the article headed "Bronx Bagel" and that the location is parallel to Brucke Strasse. Thereupon, a **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to approve the minutes with the clarification as stated above. Motion carried 3-0.

TRACTOR, BOOM MOWER AND DEBRIS BLOWER

City Attorney Sandy Hemmerlein announced that a "Notice to Bidders" had been published on October 29 and November 5, 2005 for a Highway Mower Tractor with Cab and a Rotary Boom Mower and Debris Blower for the street department. Hemmerlein opened and publicly read the sealed bids for the items. All bids included a non collusion affidavit and a bid bond or cashier's check. The bids were as follows:

Southeastern Equipment, Inc.

Case Tractor & Mower	\$83,900.00
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Hopf Equipment

Case Tractor & Tiger Mower	\$73,682.00
Case Tractor & Diamond DBR050	\$74,978.00

Stone & Stemle

Case Tractor & Tiger Mower	\$75,481.50
Case Tractor & Diamond DBR050	\$76,778.00

A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to take the bids under advisement to give the street department time to review the bids and to report back at the next meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

TRI-COUNTY PAVING, INC. – PATCHING MATERIAL

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle presented a letter from Tri-County Paving, Inc. in which the company offered to extend their current contract prices for patching material until December 31, 2006. Eckerle recommended accepting the price extension.

On **motion** by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Victor Knies, approval was given to extend the current contract prices with Tri-County Paving, Inc. for Hot and Cold Asphalt mix, F.O.B. their yard, until December 31, 2006. Motion passed 3-0.

REPLACEMENT EMPLOYEES – STREET DEPARTMENT

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle requested starting the hiring process to replace two employees. Eckerle explained that he needs to replace one employee who passed away and one who has given a severance notice.

On **motion** by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt, authorization was given to start the hiring process to replace two employees at the street department. Motion passed 3-0.

TRACK SYSTEM – STREET DEPARTMENT

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle requested permission to seek quotes for a slide tracking system to reduce exhaust and gas levels in the maintenance shop at the street department.

On **motion** by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt, permission was given to the street commissioner to seek quotes for a track system in the street department's maintenance building. Motion passed 3-0.

REQUEST FOR TRUCK TRAFFIC ON 2ND STREET

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle reported that a group of volunteers is repairing the football practice field near 2nd Street and trucks need to haul dirt to that area. Since 2nd Street is designated as a 'no truck traffic' street, Eckerle said the group is requesting that trucks be allowed to use 2nd Street for this project. Eckerle also stated that he had requested the group make repairs if any damage is done to the curb.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to allow trucks to use 2nd Street to haul dirt for repair to the football practice field on condition that if the curb and guttering on 2nd Street are damaged by the truck haulers, the responsible party will repair the damage; in addition, the requestor and the street commissioner should work together until the project is completed. Motion passed 3-0.

PERFORMANCE BOND RELEASE
NORTH RIDGE SHOPPING CENTER AND SERVICE ROAD

Building Commissioner David Seger presented a performance bond release form for drainage improvements made adjacent to the southwest entrance to the North Ridge Shopping Center and service road. The name and address of the developer is Martin S. Carney, Carney Jasper, LLC, 4500 Bowling Blvd., Suite 250, Louisville, Kentucky, 40207. Seger explained the details of the project and stated that he and the City Engineer have approved the drainage improvements.

On **motion** by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Victor Knies approval was given to release the performance bond for drainage improvements for the North Ridge Shopping Center. Motion passed 3-0.

STOP SIGNS – TODD LANE

City Engineer Chad Hurm presented an engineering study and recommended that the intersection at Bart Lane and Todd Lane be made a one way stop and that the stop sign should be placed on Todd Lane and that Bart Lane should have the right of way.

A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to approve the study by the Engineering Department to place a one-way stop sign on Todd Lane at the intersection of Bart Lane, and make that recommendation to the Common Council. Motion passed 3-0.

MILL STREET EXTENSION WETLAND MITIGATION PROJECT

City Engineer Chad Hurm presented Change Order #1 for the Mill Street Extension Wetland Mitigation Project. He said this change order was for a deduction of \$5,088.71, of which the City will be responsible for 50 per cent. Hurm asked the board to concur with the Dubois County Commissioners decision to approve the change order.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to concur with the Dubois County Commissioners and approve Change Order #1, regarding the Mill Street Extension Wetland Mitigation Project for a deduction of \$ 5,088.71. Motion passed 3-0.

REPORTS

Traffic & Speed Counters – City Engineer Chad Hurm reported that his department is collecting data from the traffic and speed counters that were recently purchased by the City.

Strassenfest – Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang reported that he had received notification from the State Department of Homeland Security that there had been two safety violations during Strassenfest this year. He stated that the Strassenfest Committee and the booth owners have been informed of the violations.

EASEMENTS

City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein presented the following easements for acceptance and approval:

Grant of Permanent Electric Utility Easement

Steven D. Kruger - Part of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of S34, T1S, R5W

Steven D. Kruger & Debra Kruger - Part of NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of S34, T1S, R5W

A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to approve and accept the easements as listed above. Motion passed 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the board, a **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Mayor William J. Schmitt
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer

Cynthia Kluemper, Recording Secretary